

Greetings: To Our Dahlia Friends and Customers:

We take great pleasure in handing you our 1956 list. The varieties listed have proven their ability to grow for us, by producing strong growth and plenty of bloom. Since 1920 we have served the dahlia loving public. Our motto: "Your Success Means Our Future." We don't try to see how many varieties we can grow, but try to grow the best.

GUARANTEE: While we exercise every care in filling of orders for roots and send out what we honestly think will grow, we do not guarantee any root that is shipped before March 15th. After that date all roots are guaranteed and will be replaced free of charge if they prove blind. Many of the failure with plants and roots are due to causes entirely beyond our control, such as weather and soil conditions, bad planting, etc., and while we take the greatest care to send out only stock which will produce satisfactory results, we cannot be held responsible for failure. A deposit required on all orders before shipping.

REFERENCE: We refer you to the Peoples Savings Bank or any merchant in our city, in regards to our honesty and integrity.

ROOTS: The size of the roots varies according to the variety. A large root does not always result in a large plant or flower. The main thing is a strong, healthy root, showing a growing eye or sprout. Shipped prepaid when order amounts to \$5.00 or over. This applies to retail orders only. Roots shipping season closes May 20th. We start shipping about April 10th and all roots will be shipped at that time unless instructed to ship sooner. Orders under \$5.00 please add 50c extra for postage.

COMMERCIAL GROWERS: We cater to a high class retail trade, but we will allow the usual discount to the trade on our own introductions and other varieties where our stock will permit, except where prices are marked NET. Shipping charges to be paid by the purchaser on all wholesale orders.

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CARLETTA ROSA
OUR 1956 INTRODUCTION
SIZE OF BLOOM ABOUT 7 INCHES

A very beautiful Str. Cactus, color lavender blending to white at the center, stems are wiry and strong, holding flower at 45° angle. Winner of A.D.S. awards at Cleveland and Washington, D. C. shows; also won American Home award at Washington. An HONOR ROLL dahlia also. **Roots \$10.00 Net**

FIRST LADY (1955)—A extremely beautiful formal dec., of a very nice color of dresden yellow, size of bloom about 8 inches, bush growth about 5 ft. stems are strong and formation of flower rolls around the stem with strong stems and excellent foliage. A must for real dahlia growers. **Roots \$7.50 Net—Plants at Greenhouse \$3.00**

PREAS PRIDE (1955)—This wonderful dahlia which is a sport of Jane Lausche comes in a pleasing shade of purple tipped white, size of bloom runs 10 by 7 inches deep, foliage is good and growth of plant 5½ ft. Stems are strong. Really an excellent dahlia and one which all should grow. **Roots \$7.50 Net. Plants at greenhouse \$3.00**

MISS MACOMB (1955)—Medium size cactus of good formation, which is one of our favorites this year, very strong grower, color of flower coral pink, stems very strong making it a very good show dahlia. Bush growth about 5 ft. **Roots \$3.50 Net**

GOLDEN GOOSE—A very nice formal decorative which comes to us from England, color a light gold, with full centers and nicely formed flowers, strong grower with the best of stems. **Roots \$1.00**

GRACE—Another one of the good foreign dahlias which has made a name in this country, color persian rose suffused soft lilac at the center, strong wiry stems holding the flower above the foliage, a low grower which produces plenty of bloom. **Roots \$1.50**

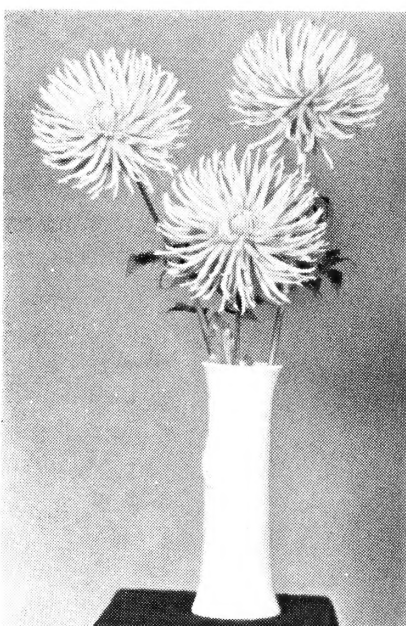
BETTY BLOSSOM (1953)—Another nice formal decorative which has a very good formation, stems are strong and wiry, color soft creamy white, lightly suffused pastel mauve. American Home winner and Honor Roll dahlia, also Flower Grower trophy in 1953.

MALCOM BINGAY (1953)—A dahlia with a color of deep rich orange, formal decorative, with stems that are strong and bush growth excellent size of bloom about 8 inches. An Honor Roll dahlia. **Roots \$1.00**

FLORENCE CHADWICK (1953)—Pure glistening white with petals slightly tipped lavender foliage dark green and insect resisting, blooms of medium size, with stems strong holding flowers slightly facing. One of the best. On all Flower Grower Honor Rolls. **Roots \$3.00 Net**

PATRICIA SPOLLEN (1952) A very nice Incurved catus, with bloom size about 10 inches, stems are long and strong. Insect resistant foliage. Winner of 3 American Home awards and on all (4) HONOR ROLLS. **Roots \$1.50**

SILVER WEDDING—Incurved cactus of large size, with strong stems that are long holding flower about the first pair of leaves, color white with a touch of lavender at the centers and outer tips of flower, petals twist giving it a very nice formation. **Roots \$1.00**



MARVELOUS
OUR 1955 INTRODUCTION

MARVELOUS (1955)—A very beautiful ROSE PINK straight cactus, strong grower with the best of stems, foliage insect proof. Winner of the A.D.S. seedling award at New York, Baltimore, Richmond and Mid-West show at Cincinnati. It is on all (4) HONOR ROLLS of the Flower Grower. Won A.H.A. award at Richmond, best single bloom and best Tri entry at Everett, Wash., also on Mr. Webb's Eastern Dahlia Review. **Roots Only \$3.50 Net**

***CARNAVAL**—Str. Cactus. Color blood red with tiny yellow tips, good grower. Winner of the Challenge Cup in Holland. Strong grower. **Roots \$1.00**

BITTERWSEET—A very good cut flower on strong stems, color bittersweet. Strong grower. Medium size blooms. **Roots \$1.00**

FIREGLEAM—A very good cut flower on strong stems, color bright orange shaded nasturtium red. Incurved Cactus. **Roots \$1.00**

GOLDEN TREASURE—A very good formal Dec. on strong stems, color golden yellow. Good foliage and bush growth. (B) flower. **Roots \$1.00**

DAHLIA SEED—From our own gardens—25 for \$1.00 the same seed what we use. **Quantity Very Limited.**

***VICTORY MAID** (B) Inc. (C). An extra good Bi-Colored, color is deep blood red tipped white. Always true to color. A fine exhibition variety of great merit. MOST UNUSUAL. **Roots \$1.50**

***FLIRT**—(B) I.C. A very good cut flower on excellent stems, color sulphur yellow. **Roots \$1.00**

***PIONEER**—(B) S.C. One of the best novelties the excellent pure yellow color on the best of stems. **Roots \$1.50 Net**

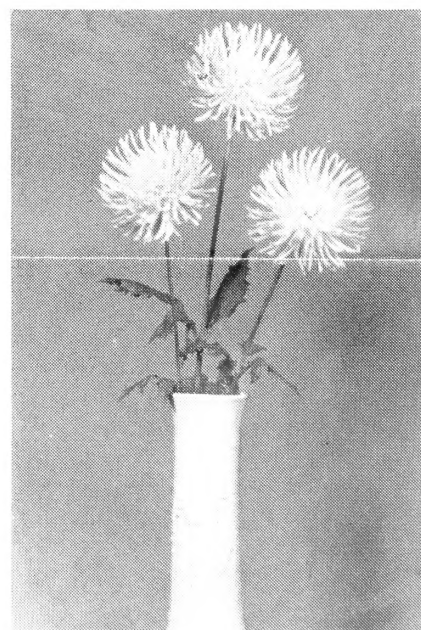
MARION GLENN—(B) S. C. Color of this beautiful dahlia is purple shaded garnet. A very good grower on the best of stems. Don D. Hart Memorial award, also on Honor Rolls. Must be grown and seen to be appreciated. **Roots \$1.00 Net**

PRAIRIE FIRE—(A) S. C. Bright Indian orange, won (8) AA. Home Awards in 1952, on (4) Honor Rolls and Webbs Dahlia Review. A good grower in our gardens. Strong stems and flowers of good formation. **Extra Good Stock** **Roots \$2.50 Net**

***GAY SALUTE**—A very beautiful dahlia for arrangements. The flowers have a glistening orange-scarlet color, on strong wiry stems, a real prolific bloomer from early till late. (B) flower. **Roots \$1.00 Net**

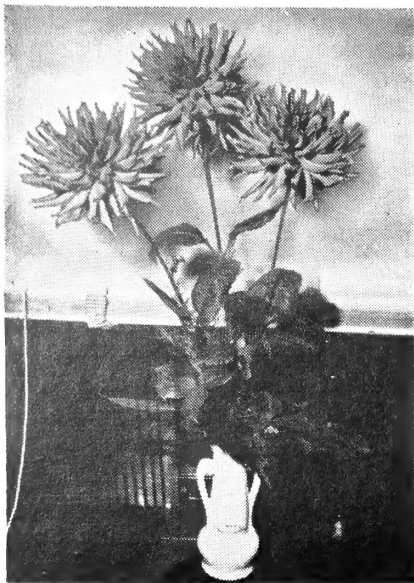
***MY GOODNESS** — Inc. Cactus of great formation, admired by all who have seen it growing, color is light orange and is produced on the best of stems, plants are very strong grower. Excellent exhibition variety which will be hard to beat on show table. (B) flower. **Roots \$1.00 Net**

OUR 1954 INTRODUCTION



"ROSEMARY'S DAINTY"

ROSEMARY'S DAINTY (B)—Str. Cactus. One of the most beautiful dahlias we have ever grown. Color is SHELL PINK blending to a lighter shade in the center. Won A.D.S. GOLD AWARD at Mid-West Show at Cleveland this year. Strong grower on the best of stems, which hold the flowers at 45° angle. An HONOR ROLL dahlia. **Roots \$2.00 Net**



"THE TIMES-LEADER" OUR 1950 INTRODUCTION

THE TIMES-LEADER—Str. Cactus—Cherry Red Winner of (2) Achievement Medals. Good bush growth (B) flower. The best red to our knowledge, needs no pampering. **Roots \$1.50**

*LOCKENKOPE—Semi-Cactus

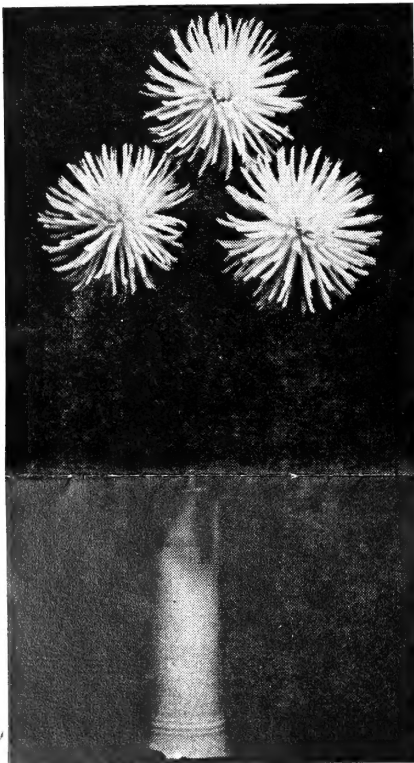
Color apple blossom rose with deep yellow center. Strong stems hold the flowers well above the bush. Good keeper as cut flower. **Roots \$1.00**

THE CARDINAL — 1949—Cardinal Red, semi-cactus. Blooms 10 to 12 inches, facing, on longcanelike stems. Bush 6 ft. with clean and leather like foliage. Winner of The American Home Achievement Medal at Mid-West show in Milwaukee. Central states show at Chicago, Southern Conference Show at Chattanooga and Tri-City show in Moline, Ill. Listed on all (3) Honor Rolls. Winner of Derrill Hart Memorial Award. **Roots \$1.50**

***PRIDE OF HOLLAND**—Str. Cactus (A)—The huge flowers are perfectly shaped and have excellent stems. The color is striking pure pink, foliage is very good, growth about 5 ft. One of the best Holland dahlias that we have been able to grow. A good cut flower as well as show dahlia. **Roots \$1.00**

***HEART'S DESIRE**—S. C. (B). The color of this unusual dahlia is a striking pure salmon which is rarely seen in dahlias, flowers are produced on strong stems which hold bloom erect. Strong grower and good foliage. A special favorite of all visitors. **Roots \$1.00 Net**

CROYDON MASTERPIECE — Inf. Dec. (A). This is truly one of the largest dahlias yet introduced, a strong grower with ideal stems to hold the large blooms which have grown to 14 inches for us. Color is very attractive burnt orange. Aur stock is extra good. **Roots \$1.50 Net**



"MADONNA CRUSADER" OUR 1952 INTRODUCTION

MADONNA CRUSADER—Str. Cactus, a very beautiful pure white flower, with strong stems holding flower erect, foliage good. Size of bloom 7 to 8 in., (B) dahlia and a very good cut flower. Height of plant 5½ ft. Winner of A.D.S., Gold Certificate Medal award for flower scoring 85 or better. On Faust's, Eddy's Dudley's Honor Rolls. Also on the Eastern Dahlia Review. **Roots \$1.50**

***BROEDER JUSTINUS** — (S. C.) This dahlia was awarded the Silver Challenge Cup in Holland for the best foreign introduction. This dahlia drew the attention of all with its orange colored bloom changing to light yellow in the center. Proved this season to stand the hottest sunshine. A strong grower. Stems hold the bloom as near-perfect as any dahlia. **Roots \$1.00**

***TERPO**—(1952) Inf. Decorative (B) — This is the champion of Holland for 1951, winning the silver challenge cup in a class of (9) entries. Stems are perfect and very good bush growth, color is a glistening blood red. A real dahlia and one that will be grown for a long time. **Roots \$1.00**

D-DAY FD. (1945)

True pink. Size 7 by 3½ inches. Stem cane-like, holds flowers on side. Excellent substance. Flowers shipped air express to New York show were in fine shape after 72 hours enroute. A fine florist's flower and could even "take" JERSEY BEAUTY in its class. (Dixie Dahlia Gardens). **Roots 50c**

OUR 1953 INTRODUCTION

BLENDETTE—Inc. Cactus. This is a dahlia which is different, with the blend of PRIMROSE YELLOW blending to NEYRON ROSE, really the most beautiful dahlia we have introduced to date. A strong grower with stiff stems holding the flower in perfect position and a good keeper as a cut flower. Very much admired at the Mid-West show at Louisville and a runner-up for the A.H.A. award. It won the American Home Achievement award at East Liverpool show the past year, on the EASTERN DAHLIA REVIEW and is on all four HONOR ROLLS of the Flower Grower. This is a (B) flower. **Roots only \$1.00**

*SCARLET LEADER—S. C. (1939)

Challenge Cup winner. Beautiful large flowers of a vivid poppy-red color, surpasses all other red varieties. Strong grower with extra stiff stems. Special exhibition and cut flowers. **Roots \$1.50**

GINGER RODGERS—(1941)

I. D. (Burks-Rushmohr), A very large informal decorative, of glistening yellow. A profuse bloomer, with a most vigorous bush growth. Stems are long and strong. Some competent observers believe this one will supplant our present exhibition "yellow". **Roots \$2.00**

GRAF FOLKE BERNADOTTE—S. C. The most admired pure white in our gardens the past season, the flowers are very large and are carried on the best of stems, plant is a very strong grower and this dahlia won the German Challenge Cup the past season. The flowers are large and a very prolific bloomer for a large dahlia. **Roots \$1.00 Net**

REFUGEE—Str. Cactus. This dahlia is a real addition to the yellow class, as the color is bright and lively a yellow as any one would ask. Stems are strong, a very open grower and foliage a fine glossy color. It is also a free bloomer and a good cut flower. (B) flower. **Roots \$1.00**

STELLAETTE: F. D. to Inf. Our 1945 Introduction. This velvety deep red is what some dahlia critics call a red CALIF IDOL. Cane-like stems which can carry the largest blooms erect. Foliage insect proof, like the old Jersey's Beacon. Grows about 5½ ft. in height. Blooms average 11 inches by 8 inches. An excellent keeper when cut. Won when shown in its 1st and 2nd year as a seedling. Listed on the Mid-West and Pacific Coast Honor Rolls. **Roots \$2.00**

PINK SUPERIOR—Str. Cactus, a very pleasing shade of phlox purple, general effect pink, stems are strong and stiff, holding flower a right angle, grows about 5 ft. tall. This is really one of the large dahlias, attaining the size of 12 by 8 inches deep. It was awarded the A.D.S. Gold Certificate Medal award for flower scoring 85 or better, also won the American Home Achievement award, competing against a class of 14 entries. This is another Honor Roll dahlia. **Roots only \$2.50 Net**

—All dahlias marked with an asterisk () are European originations.

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PURPLEX—Formal Decorative, size of bloom about 10 inches, color, is a velvety dianthus purple, something different in color in this size dahlia, good bush growth 5 ft., with insect resisting foliage and stems that are stiff and strong. Winner of **The American Achievement Medal** at the Dahlia Society of Ohio in Cleveland. On all Honor Rolls where it was tested, namely Eastern, Southern and Mid-West trial gardens. **Roots \$1.00**

LAKESIDE BEAUTY — Formal Dec. (1946). A real dahlia for cut flower trade with a color of rose pink blending to cream center. Strong grower, best of stems and foliage extra good. Won the Flower Grower Award and Mid-West trophy. **Roots \$1.00**

THERESA LOUISE—Semi-Cactus. Color of this beautiful dahlia is a Begonia Pink shading lighter in the center, bush is a very healthy grower with stems that are very stiff, holding the flower in right position. Winner of the **CERAMIC AWARD** at East Liverpool show for best two-year old in 1951. Mr. Webb has placed it on his **DAHLIA REVIEW**, also on Faust's, Eddy's and Dudley's Flower Grower Honor Rolls. This is a (B) flower and a prolific bloomer. **Roots only \$2.00 Net**

JANE LAUSCHE—S. C. (Rocky River). A new color combination in a dahlia. Rosy mauve with about one-third of each petal tipped white. Just about all the superlatives in the dictionary have been used to describe it. Winner of several "largest bloom" and most perfect bloom awards in its first season. These plants are open, fast growers and produce blooms early, and in profusion until frost. A standout in the semi-cactus bi-color class. Size 10 x 6. **Roots \$1.00**

ROSA-BI—Formal Dec. Blood Red, tipped white. Strong wiry stems, good grower, (B) flower. On all (3) Honor Rolls. **Roots \$1.50**

MINIATURE DAHLIAS

RUBY CHARM — Min. cactus. Color a beautiful shade of red, good grower on strong stems. Honor Roll. **Roots \$1.50 Net**

***DECOY**—For Dec. This very fine miniature is a must for all cut flower growers, very neatly formed and produced in abundance from early to late frost. Color is a bright golden yellow with scarlet tips and center. Best for show table and commercial growers. **Roots \$1.00**

***JOKE** — Min. In. Dec. — This is one of the best bi-color miniatures that we had the pleasure to grow, always true to color, with the best of stems. The red and white color is very distinctive and foliage excellent. **Roots \$1.00**

LITTLE JIMMIE—For. Dec. This white miniature is about as good a small dahlia that can be had. Extra strong grower with stems as stiff as a poker. Foliage very good. A sure winner in its class. Size of bloom always under 4 in. **Roots 75c**

ALICE J.—Ball. A most beautiful dahlia that is difficult to beat in the ball class, color is a very clear pink, stems are strong and foliage is excellent. Always a winner in the ball class. **Roots 75c**

***AMBASSADOR VAN KLEFFENS**—(Holland) An excellent medium sized cut flower with great merits. A very strong and open grower and can be cut with stems 4 ft. long, a profuse bloomer, color is a bright orange, with perfect formal decorative form. This dahlia is really different in color. **Roots \$1.00**

ALLEGRESSE, (France) Str. Cactus. Blooms average about 10 inches and a color that is a very pleasing shade of canary yellow, an extra strong grower and with the best of stems, which can be cut 4 ft. is so desired. A real good cut flower and keeps well. **Roots \$1.00**